

# **MOBILE DATA COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK**

## **Procedures Document**

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The Mobile Data Communications Network (MDCN) is operated by the Wisconsin Department of Transportation Division of State Patrol Bureau of Communications (BOC) as a service to government agencies within Wisconsin. The MDCN is a radio service, which is primarily used to access the TIME System operated by the Department of Justice (DOJ). Two related documents govern the operation of this enterprise service: the MDCN Acceptable Use Policy and the MDCN Procedures.

The MDCN Procedures, as detailed herein, provide current information governing the operation of the MDCN. This information is subject to periodic updates; please reference the date of this document when corresponding with us concerning these procedures.

1. The state does not warrant that MDCN coverage is adequate in your area. There are gaps in the coverage.
2. Applications for subscription to the MDCN are available on-line at [www.dot.state.wi.us/dsp](http://www.dot.state.wi.us/dsp), or they can be requested by contacting Paul Schulz, the MDCN Database Administrator via email at [paul.schulz@dot.state.wi.us](mailto:paul.schulz@dot.state.wi.us), or via telephone at 608-846-8538. You can also write to the Bureau of Communications, PO Box 7912, Madison, WI 53707-7912. The Bureau will process the application forms and return the approved Acceptable Use Policy Agreement to the requesting agency. The approved agreement will constitute the authorization for the purchase of subscriber equipment for use on the MDCN.
3. Agencies are responsible for purchasing required subscriber equipment, installation, maintenance and operator training. Equipment must be compatible with the MDCN, which uses the ElectroCom communications protocol.
4. Agencies desiring access to the TIME System through the MDCN are responsible for complying with all Department of Justice (DOJ) requirements, including obtaining and maintaining certifications and payment of applicable DOJ user fees. For more information contact your Local Agency Assigned Instructor (AAI), TIME Agency Coordinator (TAC) or the DOJ Crime Information Bureau at 608-266-7314.
5. Agencies desiring access to the TIME System through the MDCN must obtain a Physical Station Number (PSN) for each mobile data computer from the Department of Justice (DOJ). See the Mobile Data Terminal PSN Assignment Request form enclosed with your application materials.
6. MDCN system problems should be reported to the appropriate State Patrol District Communications Center.